

## **POLICE INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS**

September 30, 2009 - During the past three days, Paxtang Borough has experienced a series of thefts from vehicles, stolen bicycles, and the attempted entry to a garage. The Police Department believes that these incidents are all the work of a group of 4-6 black males in their late teens. It appears that these individuals ride into the Borough on bicycles, possibly to Swatara Township, commit the crimes, and then return to Harrisburg City. On Tuesday evening, September 29<sup>th</sup>, one of the individuals believed to be responsible was apprehended by a Paxtang officer. Evidence gathered during the arrest has been instrumental in building an investigation. In addition, three bicycles, a bag of tools, and a stolen XM radio have been recovered.

The Paxtang Police continue to urge residents to be mindful of the manner in which they park their cars at night, and to secure them. Several of the items that were stolen from vehicles were readily visible by passersby and represented an excellent target of opportunity. Additionally, residents should be on the lookout for strangers loitering in and around the back streets and alleys of the Borough. In particular, a group that matches the description of that provided above is of particular interest to the police. Please call the police at 558-6900 to report any circumstances regarding these thefts. The Police Department thanks you for your cooperation.